

# **FRANKLIN CIRCUIT COURT**

## **LOCAL RULES**

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**L. R. 24-T. R. 79-1****SPECIAL JUDGE SELECTION IN CIVIL CASES**

In the event a special judge selected pursuant to Trial Rule 79(D), (E), or (F) does not accept the case, a special judge shall be designated by the Clerk of the Franklin Circuit Court in sequence from the following list of, to-wit:

1. Judge, Wayne Superior Court No. 3
2. Judge, Rush Superior Court
3. Judge, Union Circuit Court
4. Judge, Fayette Superior Court
5. Judge, Fayette Circuit Court
6. Judge, Wayne Superior Court No. 2
7. Judge, Wayne Superior Court No. 1
8. Judge, Wayne Circuit Court
9. Judge, Rush Circuit Court

The Clerk shall maintain such records as necessary to assure that selections are rotated in the above sequence beginning with the judge listed as number one and continuing in numerical order thereafter and repeating the sequence as necessary.

**L. R. 24-C.R. 2.2-2****JOINT LOCAL CRIMINAL RULES  
REASSIGNMENT AND APPOINTMENT  
OF SPECIAL JUDGE**

The following individuals have agreed to serve in the event it becomes necessary to reassign a felony or misdemeanor case in the Franklin Circuit Court: Judge of the Fayette Superior Court; Judge of the Fayette Circuit Court; Judge of the Union Circuit Court; and, Judge of the Rush Circuit Court. By order of adoption of these rules, the Indiana Supreme Court, pursuant to I.C. 33-24-6-10 temporarily transfers the above Judges to the Franklin Circuit Court for the purpose of reassignment of felony and misdemeanor cases.

In the event it becomes necessary to reassign a felony or misdemeanor case, the Judges will be reassigned in consecutive order to the above named Judges.

In the event no Judge is available for assignment or reassignment of a felony or misdemeanor case, such case shall be certified to the Indiana Supreme Court for the appointment of a Special Judge. In the event the Judge presiding in a felony or misdemeanor case concludes that the unique circumstances presented in such proceeding require appointment by the Indiana Supreme Court of a Special Judge, the presiding Judge may request the Indiana Supreme Court for such appointment.

#### **L.R. 24-A.R. 15-3**

#### **COURT REPORTER TRANSCRIPT FEES**

The undersigned courts comprise all of the courts of record of Franklin County, Indiana and hereby adopt the following local rule by which court report services shall be governed.

**Section One. Definitions.** The following definitions shall apply under this local rule:

- (1) *A Court Reporter* is a person who is specifically designated by a court to perform the official court reporting services for the court including preparing a transcript of the record.
- (2) *Equipment* means all physical items owned by the court or other governmental entity and used by a court reporter in performing court reporting services. Equipment shall include, but not be limited to, telephones, computer hardware, software programs, disks, tapes, and any other device used for recording and storing, and transcribing electronic data.
- (3) *Work space* means that portion of the court's facilities dedicated to each court reporter, including but not limited to actual space in the courtroom and any designated office space.
- (4) *Page* means the page unit of transcript which results when a recording is transcribed in the form required by Indiana Rule of Appellate Procedure 7.2.
- (5) *Recording* means the electronic, mechanical, stenographic or other recording made as required by Indiana Rule of Trial Procedure 74.
- (6) *Regular hours worked* means those hours which the court is regularly scheduled to work during any given work week. Depending on the particular court, these hours may vary from court to court within the county but remain the same for each work week.
- (7) *Gap hours worked* means those hours worked that are in excess of the regular scheduled to work during any given work week. Depending on the particular court, these hours may vary from court to court within the county but remain the same for each work week.

- (8) *Overtime hours worked* means those hours worked in excess of forty (40) hours per work week.
- (9) *Work week* means a seven (7) day week that consistently begins and ends on the same days throughout the year; i.e. Sunday through Saturday, Wednesday through Tuesday, Friday through Thursday.
- (10) *Court* means the particular court for which the court reporter performs services. Court may also mean all of the courts in Franklin County.
- (11) *County indigent transcript* means a transcript that is paid for from county funds and is for the use on behalf of a litigant who has been declared indigent by a court.
- (12) *State indigent transcript* means a transcript that is paid for from state funds and is for the use on behalf of a litigant who has been declared indigent by a court.
- (13) *Private transcript* means a transcript, including but not limited to a deposition transcript that is paid for by a private party.

## **Section Two. Salaries and Per Page Fees.**

- (1) Court Reporters shall be paid an annual salary for time spent working under the control, direction and direct supervision of their supervising court during any regular work hours, gap hours or overtime hours. The supervising court shall enter into a written agreement with the court reporters which outlines the manner in which the court reporter is to be compensated for gap and overtime hours; i.e. monetary compensation or compensatory time off regular work hours.
- (2) The maximum per page fee a court reporter may charge for the preparation of a county indigent transcript shall be \$4.00 the court reporter shall submit a claim directly to the county for the preparation of any county indigent transcripts.
- (3) The maximum per page fee a court reporter may charge for the preparation of a state indigent transcript shall be \$4.00.
- (4) The maximum per page fee a court reporter may charge for the preparation of a private transcript shall be \$4.00.
- (5) Each court reporter shall report, at least on an annual basis, all transcript fees received for the preparation of county indigent, state indigent or private transcripts to the Indiana Supreme Court Division of State Court Administration. The reporting shall be made on forms prescribed by the Division of State Court Administration.

### **Section Three. Private Practice.**

- (1) If a court reporter elects to engage in private practice through the recording of a deposition and/or preparing of a deposition transcript, and the court reporter desires to utilize the court's equipment, work space and supplies, and the court agrees to the use of the court equipment for such purpose, the court and the court reporter shall enter into a written agreement which must, at a minimum, designate the following:
  - (a) The reasonable market rate for the use of equipment, work space and supplies;
  - (b) The method by which records are to be kept for the use of equipment, work space and supplies; and
  - (c) The method by which the court reporter is to reimburse the court for the use of the equipment, work space and supplies.

If a court reporter elects to engage in private practice through the recording of a deposition and/or preparing of a deposition transcript, all such private practice work shall be conducted outside of regular working hours.

### **L.R. 24-J.R. 4-4**

### **JURY SELECTION PROCEDURE**

The Franklin Circuit Court pursuant to Jury Rule 4 hereby adopts the 2 tier Summons procedure for summoning jurors for jury selection.

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**L.R.24-A.R.1 (E)-5**

**CASE ALLOCATIONS**

- (A) Cases filed on or before July 1, 2007, or not already transferred under L.R. 24-A.R. 1(E)-5, shall remain in the court of origin, unless otherwise Ordered.
- (B) Effective January 1, 2009, the limitation of filings will be in place without exception. The allocation of cases will be as follows:

*CIRCUIT COURT*

CRIMINAL: Felonies which include MR (murder), FA (class A felony), FB (Felony B felony), FC (Class C felony), Level 1 felony, Level 2 felony, Level 3 felony, Level 4 felony, MC (Miscellaneous Criminal), and misdemeanors in conjunction with Murder, or A,B, or C felonies, or Levels 1, 2, 3, or 4 felonies.

CIVIL: PL (Civil Plenary), CC (Civil Collection), CT (Civil Tort), DR (Domestic Relations), RS (Reciprocal Support), MH (Mental Health), PO (Protective Orders), MF (Mortgage Foreclosure), AD (Adoption), MI (Miscellaneous), ES, EU, GU, TR (Probate)

JUVENILE: JP (Juvenile Paternity), JD (Juvenile Delinquency), JS (Juvenile Status), JM (Juvenile Miscellaneous), JC (Juvenile CHINS), JT (Juvenile Termination)

ALL CASES IN CONFLICT WITH *Circuit Court 2*

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CRIMINAL: Felonies which include FD (class D Felony), Level 5 felony, Level 6 felony, misdemeanors in conjunction with D felonies, misdemeanors in conjunction with Levels 5 and 6 felonies, CM (class A misdemeanors, class B misdemeanors, class c misdemeanors) and IF (Infractions).

CIVIL: SC (Small Claims), PL (Civil Plenary), CC (Civil Collection), CT (CIVIL Tort), DR (Domestic Relations), RS (Reciprocal Support), PO (Protective Orders), MF (Mortgage Foreclosure), MI (Miscellaneous)

ALL CASES IN CONFLICT WITH *Circuit Court*

- (C) Assignment of cases, effective January 1, 2009, the Clerk of the Franklin Circuit Court shall perfect the following limitation of filings:
1. (PL) Civil Plenary, (CC) Civil Collections, (MF) Mortgage Foreclosures, (CT) Civil Tort, (DR) Domestic Relations, (RS) Reciprocal Support and (MI) Miscellaneous shall be assigned on an alternating basis between the two divisions of the circuit for each category above listed.
  2. (PO) Protective Orders shall be assigned on an alternating basis between the two divisions of the circuit except that multiple cause numbers arising out of same or similar facts shall be assigned as a group before rotation to the next court.

**LR24-AR00-6****Franklin Circuit Court Bond Schedule**

Comes now the Court and sets the following bail bond schedule for pretrial release of persons incarcerated in the Franklin County Security Center for criminal offenses cited into the Franklin County Circuit Court. This Order supersedes all previous Bail Bond Orders.

OFFENSES	BOND
I. Murder I.C. 35-42-1-1 (1&2)	None
Attempted to Commit Murder I.C. 35-41-5-1	None
Conspiracy to Commit Murder I.C. 35-41-5-1	None
II. Level 1 & 2 Felonies	None
	Cash/Surety Property
III. Level 3 Felonies	\$25,000.00
	\$50,000.00
IV. Level 4 Felonies	\$15,000.00
	\$30,000.00
V. Level 5 Felonies	\$10,000.00
	\$20,000.00
VI. Level 6 Felonies	\$5,000.00
	\$10,000.00
VII. Class A Misdemeanors	\$2,500.00 cash or surety
VIII. Class B Misdemeanors	\$1,000.00 cash or surety
IX. Class C Misdemeanors	\$500.00 cash

The bond amounts listed above for felony arrests refer to cash or surety bonds. The amounts for property bonds will double the amount listed.

If two separate offenses are filed against an individual as a single charge, the amount of bond will be the amount for the highest offense charged.

Any person who has been released on bond in any jurisdiction and commits another offense, shall post two times the scheduled bond for the subsequent offenses which shall continue to double for each subsequent offense.

Any person who has been released on bond for a domestic violence charge shall be required to sign a No Contact Agreement as a further condition of their release on bond, and that said agreement shall be maintained of record in the office of the Sheriff in Franklin County for a period of not less than forty eight hours from the date of release.

Pursuant to the above denominated bond schedule, the Clerk of the Circuit Court shall, at the time the Bench Warrant is issued, endorse upon the bench Warrant the amount of the bond pursuant to this Schedule, unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

All cash bonds shall become a personal asset of the Defendant and shall be held in trust by the Clerk of Franklin County and shall be applied towards payment of the defendant's fines, court costs, restitution, judgments and public defender reimbursement.

This Order shall be a part of record in the Criminal Order Book on the Circuit Court, and shall remain in full force and effect until otherwise modified by proper Court Order.

*(Adopted effective July 1, 2014)*